

Are Some Theological Institutions Serving the Devil's Purpose?

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Throughout the history of the Church, the devil has employed various strategies in an attempt to disrupt God's plan of salvation. His tactics have evolved over time, becoming ever more insidious and shrewder. Understanding these strategies is essential to discerning truth from deception in our modern world. In the early days of Christianity, the devil's tactics were overt and violent. The persecution and martyrdom of early Christians was rampant. Yet, these brutalities only served to embolden the faithful and further spread the Gospel. It was during these times of adversity that the Church's resolve was tested and strengthened, allowing Christianity to flourish despite the challenges it faced.

As the Church grew stronger, the devil shifted strategies. Overt persecution gave way to covert infiltration. The devil began to introduce false teachings and doctrines within the church, creating confusion and discord among the faithful. He also facilitated the creation of counterfeit religions, which mimicked the truth but led believers astray.

In recent times, an even more insidious strategy has come to light - the establishment of educational institutions that serve the devil's purposes. These include Bible Schools, Seminaries, Theological Universities, and Learning Centers. Whispers of affiliations with the Illuminati and other secret societies have been made against some of these institutions. These rumors are concerning, for they suggest a perversion of religious education for nefarious purposes.

However, obtaining tangible evidence of these affiliations can be challenging. The devil operates in darkness, hiding his actions from the light of truth. Therefore, worldly evidence of these affiliations is often elusive or misleading. The most effective way to evaluate these institutions is through spiritual discernment. This involves comparing their teachings to the Bible, examining the lives of their founders, and seeking guidance from the Holy Spirit. It is a process that requires patience, wisdom, and a deep understanding of the Word of God.

Several institutions have been criticized or accused of such affiliations. However, it is crucial to remember that these are allegations, not proven facts. A discerning Christian must carefully investigate these claims before forming a judgment.

- A word to a wise:* The list provided below is not intended to defame or slander any of the mentioned institutions. Instead, it aims to provide a starting point for individual investigation and discernment. Presented below is a list of a few Bible schools, Bible colleges, theological Universities, seminaries, and centers that have been accused of being associated with Illuminati and secret groups:
- Fuller Theological Seminary (California, USA):** Some conspiracy theorists have accused Fuller of being connected to the Illuminati, a secret society that allegedly seeks to establish a global governing body commonly referred to as the "*New World Order*." These theorists argue that Fuller's curriculum and teachings subtly promote this agenda.
 - Wheaton College (Illinois, USA):** Wheaton College has been accused by certain online sources of having ties with the Illuminati. These sources suggest that the college promotes a globalist agenda, a common theme in Illuminati conspiracy theories.
 - Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary (Massachusetts, USA):** Similar allegations have been made against Gordon-Conwell, with some sources suggesting that it is connected to the Illuminati and other secret societies. The nature of these alleged connections is unclear.
 - Trinity Evangelical Divinity School (Illinois, USA):** Some online sources have accused Trinity Evangelical Divinity School of being influenced by Illuminati ideals and promoting a form of spirituality that aligns with the alleged goals of the Illuminati.
 - Dallas Theological Seminary (Texas, USA):** Dallas Theological Seminary has been accused of having ties to the Illuminati. Some believe that the seminary's promotion of dispensationalist eschatology aligns with the alleged plans of secret societies.
 - Biola University (California, USA):** Biola has faced accusations of promoting a "New Age" spirituality, a belief system often linked to the Illuminati in conspiracy theories. It has also been accused of having direct connections to the Illuminati.
 - Moody Bible Institute (Illinois, USA):** Some online sources have pointed to Moody Bible Institute as an institution influenced by Illuminati ideals. They suggest that the institute promotes a "globalist" agenda, a common thread in Illuminati conspiracy theories.
 - Princeton Theological Seminary (New Jersey, USA):** Accusations have been made suggesting that Princeton Theological Seminary has ties to the Illuminati. Critics argue that the seminary promotes a liberal, ecumenical agenda that aligns with the alleged goals of the Illuminati.
 - Yale Divinity School (Connecticut, USA):** Yale Divinity School has been accused of being connected to the Skull and Bones Society, a secret society based at Yale University that is often linked to the Illuminati in conspiracy theories.
 - Regent University (Virginia, USA):** Regent University, founded by Pat Robertson, has been accused of promoting a "Dominionist" agenda, a political ideology that some believe is intertwined with the goals of secret societies.
 - Oral Roberts University (Oklahoma, USA):** Some online sources accuse Oral Roberts University of promoting a "New Age" spirituality, which they believe aligns with the alleged spiritual beliefs of the Illuminati.
 - Liberty University (Virginia, USA):** Liberty University, founded by the late Jerry Falwell, has faced accusations of promoting a "Dominionist" agenda and having ties to secret societies.
 - Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary (Texas, USA):** Certain sources have accused Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary of being influenced by Illuminati ideals and promoting a globalist agenda.
 - Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary (North Carolina, USA):** Similar allegations have been made towards Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, suggesting that it is connected to secret societies.
 - Trinity Western University (British Columbia, Canada):** Trinity Western University has faced accusations of promoting a "New Age" spirituality and having connections to the Illuminati.
 - The Lausanne Movement (International):** The Lausanne Movement, a global evangelical network, has been accused of promoting a "New World Order" agenda and having ties to the Illuminati.
 - The World Evangelical Alliance (International):** Similar accusations have been made against the World Evangelical Alliance, suggesting that it is connected to secret societies and promoting a globalist agenda.
 - The Billy Graham Center (Illinois, USA):** The Billy Graham Center at Wheaton College has been accused of promoting a "New Age" spirituality and having connections to the Illuminati.
 - The Institute for Advanced Christian Studies (North Carolina, USA):** The Institute for Advanced Christian Studies has been accused of promoting a "Dominionist" agenda and having ties to secret societies.
 - The Council for National Policy (Washington D.C., USA):** The Council for National Policy, a conservative think tank, has been accused of having ties to the Illuminati and promoting a globalist agenda.
 - The National Association of Evangelicals (Illinois, USA):** The National Association of Evangelicals has been accused of promoting a "New World Order" agenda and having ties to secret societies.

It is crucial to remember that these are allegations, not proven facts. A discerning Christian must carefully investigate these claims before forming a judgment. As Christians, we are encouraged in [1 John 4:1](#) to "*not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world.*" This is a call to vigilance and discernment. We must be wary of false teachings that may lead us astray, and always seek the truth in the Word of God.

The critics connect these trends to a broader concern regarding the Illuminati's alleged goals which include controlling education systems and undermining Christianity. It is believed that some theological institutions, possibly under the influence of secret societies, have prioritized human rationalism over the Bible and over submission to the Holy Spirit and have propagated liberal theology that deviates from traditional Christian teachings. These deviations include acceptance of practices traditionally condemned by the Bible, such as abortion, homosexuality and LGBTQ+ rights, divorce and remarriage, among others. The ordination process has become more about educational attainment rather than divine call and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. This shift in focus has contributed to the promotion of heresy and apostasy within the church. As with all teachings, these new age practices demand spiritual discernment to filter the truth from falsehood.

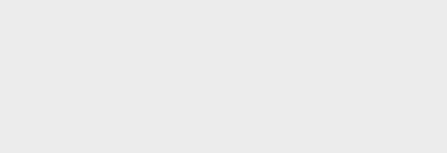
It is also believed that these theological institutions, allegedly affiliated with the Illuminati or other forces of darkness, use occult powers to attract followers. Many individuals, even those who are unsuspecting, unknowingly fall into their trap. This has significant implications for one's spiritual life and the influence on the church today. As the Bible warns in [Ephesians 6:12](#), "*For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.*" In these times, it seems that darkness reigns, as prophesied in [Isaiah 60:2](#), "*See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the LORD rises upon you and his glory appears over you.*" Unfortunately, many people are drawn to these institutions and teachings, and few seek out schools with true doctrines. This is a reflection of [2 Timothy 4:3-4](#) which says, "*For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.*"

In conclusion, as we find ourselves in the prophesied end-times, the battle between good and evil intensifies. The devil, aware of his limited time, redoubles his efforts, employing new and more cunning strategies to disrupt God's plan of salvation. This is a time where darkness appears to reign. Signs of this spiritual warfare are all around us, and the devil's schemes have become more insidious than ever. We see this in the rise of false doctrines, the perversion of the truth, and the increasing number of people turning away from sound doctrine. This is not accidental, but a deliberate ploy to pave the way for the 'desolator' prophesied in [Daniel 9:27](#), "*On the wings of abominations shall come one who makes desolate.*" Now, more than ever, discernment is required. Christians must not only be aware of these schemes but also be equipped to counter them. This is not a passive task but an active defense of the faith. It is a call to arms, to hold fast to truth and righteousness, to resist the devil, and to stand firm in our faith.

Yet, despite these challenges, we find hope and assurance in the promise found in [Matthew 16:18](#), "*And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock, I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.*" No matter the strategies the devil may employ, the Church, founded on the rock of Christ, will stand firm. Our faith, rooted in the truth of the Gospel, is our shield against the devil's schemes. As we stand on the eve of the rapture, let us hold fast to our faith, knowing that our redemption draws near. The reign of darkness is but for a moment, but the glory of God's kingdom is eternal. The battle may rage, but victory is assured. This is our hope, our anchor amidst the storm. Let us then press on, fighting the good fight, running the race set before us, and keeping the faith until our Lord's return.

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